NORTH DAKOTA Recreational Trails Program Advisory Committee (RTPAC) Meeting March 2, 2016

PRESENT: Matt Gardner, Kevin Stankiewicz, Lisa Engebretson, Pam Wenger, Sandy Zimmer, Steve Burke, Dave Burns, Curt Glasoe, Alicia Hoffarth, Karen Ryberg, Todd Thronson, and David Vad.

ABSENT: Tyler Jacobson

New committee members: Dave Burns, Karen Ryberg, Todd Thronson

FY17 RTP Rankings					
Ranking	Project Sponsor	Project Name	Average	Total Project Amount	Grant Amount
1	NPDRD	Turtle River State Park Trail	16.25	\$99,790.00	\$79,832.00
2	NDPRD	Pembina Gorge Mt. Bike	13.63	\$250,000.00	\$200,000.00
3	NDPRD- Motorized	OHV Trail Link to Frost Fire	13.13	\$137,000.00	\$110,000.00
4	Minot Park District	Woodland Trail Phase 2	12.75	\$305,000.00	\$150,000.00
5	USDA Forest Service	MDHT and Buffalo Gap Trails	11.50	\$231,370.00	\$185,096.00
6	Hunter Arthur JPA Park Board	Northern Cass Pass	11.00	\$120,000.00	\$96,000.00
7	USDA Forest Service	North Country Trail Improvements	11.00	\$17,560.00	\$14,048.00
8	Bottineau Park District	Forestry Park Trail-Phase 2	10.63	\$236,385.00	\$189,108.00
9	Morton County Parks	Lewis and Clark 1806 Trailside Facilities	9.75	\$58,185.00	\$46,548.00
10	City of Medora	Medora Recreational Trail	9.50	\$156,455.00	\$125,164.00
11	Snowmobile North Dakota (SND)- Motorized	2017 SND Upgrades	8.38	\$197,700.00	\$158,160.00
12	Devils Lake Park Board and City of Devils Lake	Devils Lake Bike Path Restoration Project	8.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00
13	City of Ray	7th Ave Shared Use Path-Phase 2	7.25	\$400,000.00	\$200,000.00
14	City of Fargo	5th Street Extension Shared Use Path	5.88	\$204,400.00	\$160,000.00
15	Bismarck Parks and Recreation District	Sertoma Park East Recreation Trail Rehabilitation	5.13	\$455,817.00	\$200,000.00
16	Jamestown Parks and Recreation	Jamestown Trails Linkage	5.13	\$12,600.00	\$10,080.00
17	City of Mapleton	First Street Shared Use Path Improvements	5.00	\$268,000.00	\$200,000.00
18	City of Beulah	Multi-Use Trail Extension-Phase 2	4.75	\$316,200.00	\$200,000.00
19	Grafton Parks and Recreation	Leistkiow Park Trail Maintenance	2.38	\$18,489.91	\$14,791.93
				\$3,534,951.91	\$2,378,827.93

*Projects ranked 1-6 will receive funding contingent upon FHWA approval and RTP funding authorization. At this time, the other projects are not expected to receive any funding, other than #11, which will receive partial funding.

Meeting commenced at 1:00 P.M. CST

Powerpoint slide presentation showing photos of FY14 and FY15 projects.

There are currently 19 projects that have requested Grant money. Kevin Stankiewicz handed out the project ranking scores for all projects.

Pam Wenger said they will have their TAP meeting at the end of March. There are 28 rural applications totaling \$3.587 million dollars, and 11 urban applications totaling \$2.345 million dollars. There is 1.4 million total grant money available.

Sandy Zimmer questioned what the funding was for on the Pembina Gorge project. Matt Gardner said it is for trails and features with beginning and intermediate runs. Sandy asked if we were going to charge fees? Matt said yes. Sandy said that clearly needs to be talked about. Also the \$15,000.00 engineering fee on the application needs to be removed.

Karen Ryberg found the balance between big and small communities difficult to rate.

Alicia Hoffarth stated that there is a shift, we don't have the money that we once had. Can we require that equipment applications come in separately?

Sandy Zimmer said we should state upfront that equipment may not be funded or could be taken out.

Dave Vad said we may need to meet more times if we will start pulling out things on the applications.

Matt Gardner said the match dollars for both motorized projects come out of OHV and snowmobiling registration funds.

Business

Alicia Hoffarth motioned that the Pembina Gorge project receives \$110,000.00 and the SND project receives \$112,188.14 and they can adjust their project as needed. Motion seconded by Curt Glasoe. Motion passes with all in favor and one nay.

Todd Thronson does not agree with SND not getting the full amount.

Business

Curt Glasoe motioned to fund the top 6 projects as is and remove \$15,000.00 out of the Pembina Gorge project and put it to the Hunter Arthur project. And remove one mower from the Forest Service project and have the Bottineau project as a backup project. Motion seconded by Steve Burke and also Karen Ryberg. Motion passes.

Matt Gardner said he will remove the engineering fees on the Pembina Gorge project.

Business

Dave Vad motioned to give North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD) authority to move any underruns to other projects as needed. Motion was seconded by Curt Glasoe. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 3:08 P.M. CST